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SUBJECT: SCENARIO FOR HANDLING THE TURKISH PACKAGE

BONN, FOR CHRISTOPHER EYES ONLY FROM TARNOFF

1. WE HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH DAVID AARON AND DENIS CLIFT REGARDING THE SCENARIO WHICH WAS AGREED UPON IN PHONE CALLS WITH THE SECRETARY'S STAFF IN RIO ON THURSDAY. (TO REVIEW: APRIL 1-2 -- CONGRESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS; APRIL 3 -- U.S. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT; APRIL 5 -- TURKISH ANNOUNCEMENT; APRIL 6 -- CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS).

2. DAVID AND DENIS HAVE TAKEN THE POSITION THAT THEY WILL ONLY PUT THIS SCENARIO FORWARD TO THE VICE PRESIDENT IF THEY RECEIVE IT IN A FORMAL MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL PARTY.

3. DAVID AND DENIS WENT ON TO SAY THAT MONDALE WAS NOT IN FAVOR OF MOVING THAT QUICKLY WITH THE CONGRESSIONAL CON-
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SULTATIONS. HE WOULD PREFER TO BEGIN ONLY ON APRIL 3-4. FURTHER, HE DID NOT FAVOR ECEVIT'S MAKING HIS ANNOUNCEMENT PRIOR TO THE CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS. MONDALE REPORTEDLY FEELS THAT ECEVIT'S STATEMENT WOULD BECOME, TO OUR DETRIMENT, THE CENTRAL ISSUE IN THE HEARINGS. IN SUM, THE SCENARIO WE WORKED OUT EARLIER TODAY DOES NOT REALLY APPEAL TO THE VICE PRESIDENT. I MIGHT ADD THAT HE ALSO

DOES NOT RELISH, OBVIOUSLY, HAVING PERSONALLY TO APPROACH
BRADEMAs, SARBANES, ROSENTHAL AND EAGLETON ON AN ISSUE
THAT WILL BRING HIM A LOT OF UNPLEASANTNESS FROM THESE
FOUR.

4. WE HAVE POINTED OUT TO DAVID AND DENIS THAT, WITHOUT
ECEVIT'S ANNOUNCEMENT, MR. VANCE IS GOING TO HAVE A VERY
DIFFICULT TIME OF IT ON THE HILL ON APRIL 6. WE ARGUED
THAT HE WOULD NEED AS MUCH AMMUNITION AS POSSIBLE TO PUT
FORWARD A CONVINCING CASE AND THAT CYPRUS WOULD BE EVEN
MORE A SUBJECT OF CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IF THERE HAD
BEEN NO ANNOUNCEMENT BEFORE APRIL 6 BY ECEVIT AND DENKTASH.
WE ADDED THAT WARREN CHRISTOPHER ALSO FAVORED THE
SCENARIO AS A WAY TO GET ECEVIT AND DENKTASH TO GO ON
PUBLIC RECORD WITH THEIR PROPOSALS ON CYPRUS. THESE
ARGUMENTS DID NOT SEEM TO ALTER THE AARON/CLIFT VIEW OF
THINGS.

5. FOR FRANK WISNER: PLEASE TRY TO GET FOR US A CABLE
OUTLINING THE SCENARIO AS IN PARA 1 ABOVE WHICH HAS THE
SECRETARY'S AND ZBIG'S APPROVAL.

6. FOR WISNER AND CHRISTOPHER: A POSSIBLE WAY OUT OF
THE SEEMING MONDALE IMPASSE WOULD BE TO HAVE WARREN OFFER
TO DO THE CONTACT WORK WITH BRADEMAs, SARBANES,
ROSENTHAL AND EAGLETON UPON HIS RETURN FROM EUROPE. A
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REFINEMENT OF THAT COULD BE TO HAVE DICK COOPER, A CLOSE
PERSONAL FRIEND OF BRADEMAs AND SARBANES, BE IN TOUCH
WITH THOSE TWO AS WELL.

7. FOR WARREN CHRISTOPHER: ALL OF THE ABOVE MEANS THAT
YOU WILL HAVE TO HOLD OFF SENDING ANY PERSONAL MESSAGE
TO ECEVIT FOR THE TIME BEING. WE WILL LET YOU KNOW AS
SOON AS WE CAN WHEN (OR IF) YOU CAN SEND IT.

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